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A Good Woman Gone – Obituary of Sarah Elizabeth Means Collier

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MEANSVILLE, GEORGIA, THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 1918

GOOD WOMAN GONE

MRS. I. C. COLLIER PASSES AWAY
IN ATLANTA

Mrs. I. C. Collier, a woman greatly beloved by the people of Barnesville and Pike County, died at St. Joseph's in Atlanta last Friday morning, the news causing genuine sorrow throughout the community. She was a noble and an unusually modest and gentle woman, whose influence was exerted for good on many lives in the communities where she lived and wrought. The News-Gazette is grateful for the following tribute to her in which are recorded a number of the most important incidents of her life:

Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Collier was born at Meansville, Georgia, Pike County, June 10, 1844, was married to Isaac Cuthbert Collier December 21, 1865 and departed this life at an Atlanta sanatorium Friday, January 18, 1918, at four o'clock A. M.

She was the daughter of John and Nancy Means, of Meansville, and was one of a family of twelve children, there being six sons and six daughters

GEORGIA'S PATRIOTIC RALLY

It is proposed by his Excellency, the Governor, heartily supported by the Councils of Defense, that there shall be held in Atlanta on the occasion of the anniversary of Washington's birthday, February 22, a great, state-wide patriotic rally, participated in by representatives from every county and city in Georgia, and that from the state at large an invitation shall be extended the President of the United States to address the mass meeting of Georgians at that time and place.

Pursuant to this motion the mass meeting of citizens assembled in the State Capitol to celebrate the birthday of Robert E. Lee last Saturday adopted resolutions expressing the approval of Atlanta and Fulton County, pledging hearty co-operation and embodying an invitation to the President. Other cities and counties have done likewise, making such action part of the Lee celebrations.

The need and value of such a dem-

After the death of her husband she assisted her son in the management of the plantations and was a well balanced, cautious business woman and she used a great deal of system in her affairs, both domestic as well as business. After coming to Barnesville she made scores of friends but always called Piedmont "Out Home."

During the Civil war between the States in the sixties she was a girl of sixteen but spent the larger portion of her time after the school at Barnesville was closed, in making Confederate soldiers' uniforms, bandages, etc. Out of the family of twelve Means children there are only three left; Mrs. M. A. Aldridge, John F. and B. A. Means. Out of a family of sixteen brothers and sisters of her late husband there is just one left, Mr. Robert M. Collier of Atlanta, Georgia. She leaves a very interesting family of three grandchildren that have inherited many of her good traits; Mr. Durward C. Collier, and Misses Sarah Evelyn and Jessie Elizabeth Collier, each of whom was named for her. This family has never been separated but has always lived together or within a few miles of each other and she was always the "guiding star" for them in adversity as well as prosperity. She was a friend to the needy and did much good but the world knew but little about it. ,,

On Tuesday, January 9th, she agreed to go to the hospital for treatment and after arriving the doctors after consultation decided that an operation was necessary, her son told her what the doctors stated and she said "go ahead, I will do my best to get well, as I don't want to leave my family here alone, altho I realize that I am afflicted and can't live many years longer, even if I am temporarily cured." For two or three days af-

spiritedness of its citizens and its interest in every forward movement, should not be slow to join this movement. We should concur heartily in the Governor's call, and participate in the patriotic rally.

At some representative assembly of Barnesville citizens resolutions should be offered and adopted to express the patriotic loyalty and devotion of the city, and to give assurance of her hearty co-operation in every effort designed to support our government, as well as to convey to the President our invitation to be Georgia's guest.

Under the auspices of the U. D. C. exercises in celebration of the birthdays of Lee and Jackson will be held at the residence of Mrs. W. B. Smith Friday at 2:30 p. m. The public is invited and this meeting will afford an occasion for the proposed motion.

A. J. Moncrief.

LECTURE BY DR. LINCOLN McCONNELL

Dr. Lincoln McConnell will give a lecture at the Institute in Yatesville next Tuesday evening, January 29, at 8 o'clock for the benefit of the Baptist church of that place.

Go and hear him. You will be sure to get your money's worth. Admission 15c and 25c.

U. D. C. TO MEET FRIDAY

The Daughters of the Confederacy, which had a special program arranged for its meeting Friday afternoon of last week, will hold the meeting Friday afternoon this week at the home of the President, Mrs. Walter B. Smith, at 2:30 o'clock, the meeting last week having been post-

ny cured. For two or three days after the operation she appeared to rally. Mr. Collier, her son, was with her every day but two, and some member of the family every day while she was in the sanatorium and she spoke often of her home coming in a week or two. On the day before her death the poison did its deadly work and she was unconscious from seven P. M. on Wednesday till her death on Friday at four P. M. Funeral services were held at

poned on account of the death of Mrs. I. C. Collier.

The subject of consideration at the meeting will be the lives of General Lee and General Jackson, the program being the same as arranged for the meeting of last week.

It is expected there will be a large attendance as the program promises to be a very enjoyable and instructive one.

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